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Republican State Convention. Republican State Convention.

A state convention of the republicans of Michigan will be held at the Detreit cink, Detreit, on Thursday, April la, less, at 12 o'clock mean, for the purpose of nominating electors of president and vice president of the fluited States, and circting four delegates at large that the cand faur alternate delegates at large to the republican national convention to be held at Mianenpolis. Tuesday, June 7. 1882: also for the purpose of selecting a canifronan of the state central estamistics and two members thereof from each confressional district, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

The call for the national convention contains this language. "The congressional distinctions of the congressional distinctions of the congressional distinctions of the congressional distinctions."

The call for the national convention contains this language. The congressional district deseates shall be chosen at conventious miled by the congressional committee of each district in the same manner as the nominations for a representative in congress are made in said district; previded, that in any congressional districts where there is no republican congressional committee, owing to codistricting the state under the next congressional apportionment, the republican state committee shall appoint from the residents of such district a committee for the purpose of calling a district convention to elect district delegates."

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Under this crause of the call for the national convention the state central committee appoint the following persents as members of the songressional committee for that part of Yague county comprised in the first congressional district, viz.

Henry M. Dumed of Detroit.
E. Wood T. Hance of Detroit.
Wm. T. Dust of Detroit.
Morse Robnert of Detroit.
H. C. Tillman of Detroit.
A. H. Raymor of Betroit.
and the following persons as the members of the congressional committee for those parts of Wayne county embraced second, sixth and seventh districts, viz:
Second district, Henry L. Steeflet of Flat Rock. Sixth district. W. C. Jones, Tweifth ward. Seventh district, Wm. A. Michie, Grosse

Point.

The new congressional committee, except as above noted for the new Second, Third, Fourth, First, Sixth, Seventh, Righth, Ninth, Tenth, Essenth and Tweifin districts, shall be composed of those persons who were members of a congressional committee unon November I. 1850, of the districts, as then constituted, representing in said new committee the counties in the new district in which they reside: Provided, however, that each county shall have equal representation upon said committee.

And the committees as forcin constituted are authorized to call district conventions for their respective districts to choose deferates to the respective districts.

remional committees.

The state central committee hereby authorizes the following persons to call meetings of these confressional committees for the purposes above specified, and to appoint members of the new congressional committee from any county where a vacance may exact by reason of resignation, removal or non-representation upon the congressional committee

H. M. Dumeld of Detroit for the First Con-H. L. Siceflet of Fiat Rock for the Second Congressional district. W. J. Gregg of Marshall for the Third Con-C. Is Eaton of Paw Paw for the Fourth Con-Dwight Gess of Grand Rapids for the Fifth

W.C. Jones of Detroit for the Sixth Congressional district.

J. L. Black of Port Huron for the Seventh Congressional district.

E. R. Pninney of Sarinaw (E. b.) for the Beatty Congressional district.

H. W. Cavey of Eastlake for the Math Con-

Beary A. Watrons of Bay City for the Touth Henry A. Watrous of Bay City for the Tenth Congressional district.

Geo P. Stone of Ithaca for the Eleventh Congressional district.

Wm. F. Switt of Ishneming for the Twelfth Congressional district.

The district conventions will each elect two delegates and two alternate delegates to the espublican national convention and must be held with not less than twenty days public actice, and not less than thirty days before the meeting of the national codvention.

notice, and not less than therty days before the meeting of the national codvention. In accordance with the resolution adopted at Grand Rapids May 19, 18.6, every county will be entitled to one delegate for each 500 of fine total vote cast for governor at the last state election (November, 18.6), and one additional elegate for every fraction amounting to 86, but each organized county will be entitled to at least one delegate. Under the resolution of 18.5 to delegate will be entitled to a seat in the convention who does not reside in the county he proposes to represent.

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The delegates from each congressional district are requested to meet at cancus at il o'clock a m. on the day of convention and select candidates as follows, to be presented to the state convention for confirmation: Two members of the state central committee, are vice-president, one assistant secretary, one member each of the committee on "credentials," permahent organization and order of business" and "resolutions," and for such other business as they may see fit.

This committee requests that the various counties select the chairman and members of their county committee for the ensuing two years at the county convention, in order that delegates to this convention, in order that acts and systematic work may be beginn and carried on through the coming campaign, and that a list of names and nostoffice addresses of persous as exerted be at once forwarded to the secretary of the state central committee, Detroit, Mich.

In commitment with the resolutions adopted

Detroit, Mich.

In commitmee with the resolutions adopted in Betroit, June 28, 1880, the Secretary of each county convention will forward to the secretary of the state central committee, Betroit, Mich., by the cartlest mail after the clegates to the state convention are chosen. Sertified that of such delegates as are entitled to sears in the state convention from their respective counties. James McMillas, Chairman. William B. Barns, Secretary.

Republican City Convention. A republican city convention will be held at the circuit court rooms Thursday evening, March 24, at 7:30 ecieck, for nonlinating can-lidates for city officers and for the transac-tion of such other business as may properly as considered.

By order of the republican city committee.
Dwicay Goss, Chairman.
A. H. Chillyan Secretary.

Republican Ward Caucuses. Republican Ward Caucuses.

The republicans of the city of Grand Rapids will hold canonies in their respective wards on Tuesday. March 21, for nominating candidates for ward officers, choosing delegates to the republican city convention to be field at the circuit cours rooms March 24, 1892 for electing a ward camunities, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be considered. Each ward will be builted to five delegates, and will meet at the bours and places designated, unless changed by ward committees, who are sutherized to thange time and place of meeting, if necessary:

in. m. oand Ward—IT Fountain street, 7:30 p. m. hird Ward—60 Cherry street, 7:30 p. m. outh Ward—Circuit court reem, 7:30 p. m. ith Ward—73 Plainfield avenue, 7:30 p. m. ith Ward—42 West Lechard street, third r from Seribaer street. Ballot from 5 to 5

renth Ward-Rasch's store on Scribner at, near Bridge street, 1:30 p.m., chth Ward-50 West Bridge street, Kilma & Peterson's office, 7:30 p.m., inth Ward-131 West Futton street, 7:30

th Ward-644 Wealthy avenue. Ballot to fp. m. renta Ward-Over Oliver's drug store, son avenue near Hall street, Ballot from wells Ward-Corner of Hall and Ionia

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A. H. Curvusa. Secretary.

The city cancules to be held March, 224, will also chose delegates to the Kent County Convention to be held April 7th. 182.

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Chairman.

Town Caucuses Waters. The repeblican radous of the lewnship of Walker will be held Friday. March 25, at 1:30 in the affernees. Order of Committee.

mblican convention of the Pitth Con-nal district of Michigan will be herd to wilt must ream, in the city of Grand Michigan, on Treeday, April 18, 1893.

at H o'clock a, m., for cheeding two do reates and two alternate delegates to the republican national convention, to be held at Minacob-ule June 7, 1802, and for the transaction of ands other business as may properly be co-sidered.

According to a rule heretofere adopted, the several counties of the district will be custimated to the assessment of delegates as in the last republican state convention, viz. Kent. st. Lenia, is Ottawa. is.

By order of the Fifth district republican p order of the rive.

pressonal committee. W. T. ADAMS.

DWIGHT GOSS.

Charman

> The weather will be generally fair; light snows may be expected

GOOD FRUITS.

Agitation and education are necessary to keep alive the principles which form the bulwarks of radical political organizations. True republicanism is radical, fearless and honest-it seeks no covert, nor hides behind no ambush. The republican party is consistent in theory and conscientious in the performance of every trust reposed in it since the day it was first intrusted with power. It courts the fullest and freest criticism-the most open and outspoken discussion of its tenets. When it called upon the illustrious Lincoln to execute the dates of the highest office in the gift of the people it challenged the verity of history to approve the wisdom of its choice. Through four years of peril and awful war, unparatteled in history, he justified the confidence of his party and preserved the union one and inseparable. The heroic services of Lincoln to his country cemented the foundations of the republican party, and but once since his time have these foundations been shaken. As a grateful tribute to his greatness the republican club of Grand Rapids bears his honored name. Last evening the club held an open meeting and was addressed by three eloquent and carnest speakers, whose remarks were supplemented by a brief speech from a visitor. The speeches made were educational in character, intended to refresh the nunds of those present with the incidents connected with the history of the republican party and to present the misdeeds of the democratic party. Not alone national politics, but municipal affairs were discussed much to the profit of the audience. The value of such meetings and of such a club is beyond estimate. The fruits of a dauntless presentation of the merits of republican principles are not conjectural, but are certain and positive. The club is in the hands of competent and efficient | together. officers and it will be their aim to make the organization permanent and also to establish branches.

PROBIBITION BURLESQUE. Another one of the burlesques given

annually or oftener under the auspices of a few earnest but misguided men styling themselves prohibitionists, was presented in Hartman's hall gesterday afternoon before a selected sudience, the prohibition party was held. It matters little what declaration of principles the convention promulgated or what disposition was made of the questions upon which there was a division of sentiment. The prohibition party as a factor in politics is dead. Its days of usefulness long since passed; the prospect of ever again becoming of noticeable importance perished when St. John went down in a blaze of pyrotechnical brilliancy. It has degenerated into a mere spook. It is a visionary, illusive improbability. The men who persist in parading its antiquated beatstudes as living issues are, mildly putting it, cranks. They ride a hobby that has neither the muscle of aptitude nor the tendons of practicability to support them. They are preaching a sermon that is all text, and that text is, "Prohibit by law that which cannot be cured by moral sussion." Prohibition, where tried, has proved to be imprecticable. It does not prohibit. It makes honest drinkers dishonest. Instead of curing drunkenness it provokes it but it also teaches men to deceive, to lie and to steal. The worst drunkards reside in prohibition governed states. These facts should teach the men who earnestly engage to out vote the established parties and to secure the triumph of probibition principles that in building upon the ruins of one vice they erect the date. undesirable structures of others quite as destructive, but cranks will not be be taught. Prohibition conventions are expensive forums in which the otherwise upheard of spostles of the faith can be heard and forgetten.

ARRIAL SUB-AQUATIC TORPEDOES It seems strange that in spite of all our boasted civilization, and our advanced ideas as to the brotherhood of man, the making of war implements constitutes some of the greatest industries of the world. Fifteen thousand men are employed every day of the year at the Woolwick arsenal, London. Krupp, in Germany, is making a 168ton gun. France has immense guns under the process of construction. The various nations of the world own 74 guns each, having a range of ten miles or more. Among the most recent of inventions is one which will be tried at Fort Woodsworth today or tomerrow. It is called the "Aerial subaquatic projectile," and may be fired from a gun mounted on any part of a vessel, or from a fort, thereby becoming equally useful on land or sea. It is shaped much hke the ordinary sigar shaped gun, and carries a charge of 300 pounds of dynamite or gun-cotton. For the test, it will be adjusted for a range of three miles, it having been decided that to charge it so as to make it capsble of throwing the projectile any greater distance would be dangerous on account of the contents of the missie. The projectile is regulated, before

about the feet. Striking the water at peare's an argie, it steers, with the help of rudders or fine with which it is supplied, and which also are regulated before its discharge, straight towards the vessel which it must strike to effect the explosion of the dynamite or guncotton. The nicety of aim which the missle requires has been pefrected by ingenious devices. It is claimed that no naval vessel of the world could withstand complete destruction if one of these projectiles were exploded beneath it.

Ir needs no flourish of trumpets or posting of colored lithographs to call out a crowd to hear Father Nugent. His personal popularity is unquestioned, and his reputation as a finished orator is as broad as the land. His lecture upon Columbus last evening was like all his efforts, full of interest and bubbling over with patriotism. The hearty greeting that was accorded him and the frequent applause with which he was interrupted, leaves no room for criticiam.

When the city campaign shall be opened, it will be interesting to recall certain transactions that have been permitted to slumber in unbroken, if not "inocuous desuctude." The democrats will be put on the defensive, and some of the men who have posed as popular idols may find themselves involved in the meshes of "?s" which will multiply like potato bugs in June.

GREAT BRITIAN Will answer President Harrison's note on the Behring sea question next week. The vigor of the note startled the English diplomats and before they recover possession of their senses two weeks may clapse. In the meantime war and rumors of war will burden the despatches of the correspondents.

FORCE of irreputable facts compelled the mayor and certain of the aldermen to open their eyes to the existence of the alleged abuses in the office of the poor director. They are entitled to credit for having been convinced against their will, but further than that their efforts were rather against than for the investigation.

WITH Iowa's delegation in favor of the renomination of the president, Senator Cullom's hopes are depressed. But some knowing ones profess that before the letter "I" is reached in the call of states there may be a hitch in the proceedings that will make it necessary for the lowa delegates to confer

Ir the handful of men, who as prohibitionists are striving to accomplish the impossible, will turn their energies in the direction of removing the allurements with which the sale of alcoholic teverage is surrended, they may be rewarded with success.

JACKSON merchants are struggling with one another over the patronage of church members. The church members return fire by discriminating between the merchants. It is to be hoped that the contribution boxes will not suffer during the pendency of the conflict.

DAKOTA has experienced a revival of its divorce boom. It will soon take its rank along with Michigan, Illinois and Oregon as a state wherein cold feet and Platonic fondness for hired girls are sufficient causes to separate husband and wife.

ALFRED RUSSELL, the Detroit lawyer who abandoned the cause of the city to accept a large retrainer from the parties interested in the litigation pending, illustrated in a practical manner the much discussed "rapid transit."

New York will spend \$300,000 to show its vast resources at the World's Fair. If New York will now spend one-tenth of that amount to finish the Grant monument, it will perform a commendable service.

St. PATRICK's day was observed yesterday in a quiet and orderly manner. Not a single disturbance marred the very general enjoyment of the holiday in this city.

SECRETARY TRACY says that the government needs ten more torpedo boats and a few small gunboats for the navy. This is ancient history brought up to

bined to extort a high price for lighting the World's Fair grounds and buildings. The tower system is not under consuleration. GENERAL ALGER is in the far west,

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not lend enchantment to his boom for ASTUTE politicians are united in the opinion that no feilow can tell what

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tions will be. Wass Hill shall bave completed his junket, he may feel very much like a "mole Hill."

the results of the two national conven-

AMUSEMENTS

Mark Murphy and a strong company of players will be at Powers' tonight and tomorrow afternoon and evenings, in the operatic comedy "O'Dowd's star of Tony Pastor's theater for two seasons, who ranks high as a vocal-ist is one of the principal members of this organization. Sam Ryan a com-edian well known here is also in the

Lewis Paul, the man who so my sterilocked handouffs without the aid of knys, at Geary's museum this week, be given a special test this evening on the big stage. Several police offi-cers and representatives of the press have signified their intention of being present on the occasion, which will, no abt, be an interesting event.

At the request of a very large per the theater-going publi The projectile is regulated, before Grand Rapids, it has been arranged for being discharged, to travel a certain Mes Julia Marlowe to play on next depth under the water, ordinarily Tuesday evening at Powers', Shakes

beautiful comedy. eare's most beautiful comedy, Twelfth Night" This will be Miss Marlowe's tiret presentation of this superb comedy in Grand Rapids. She has won much of her honors in the character of Viola, and there is reason to believe her performance will meet with a cordial reception. Seats for Miss Marlowe's engagement will be placed on sale Saturday morning.

Dan McCarthy, a comedian who has een most favorably received in this city, will be at Redmond's next week in a new Irish play, entitled "Cruiskeen Lawn." Seats are now on sale.

Annie Ward Tiffany, the unequaled impersonator of Irish character, is attracting fine audiences in "The Stepdaughter" at Redmond's.

Manager Geary, to keep up with the times, bought a bottle of green ink yes-terday; in honor of St. Patrick's day. J. S. Sanford is at the Morton, and will arrange for the annual visit of the well-known actress, Rhea.

day. A new bill will be presented next week. There will be a matince at Smith's to-

NEWS OF THE HOTELS.

Breezy Chats With Eminent Guests-What the Registers Show.

W. B. Wells and wife of Vancouver, Wash., were at the New Livingston yesterday. They are on their way home. "I entertain very fond regards for Michigan," said Mr. Wells. "I well remember the days way back in 1845-48 when I used to live just north of Lowell. It was a veritable wilderness around there then and I can recollect many vivid experiences with the Indians. On the 4th of July, 1849, Grand Rapids was a town boasting of only one brick building, and that year they celebrated. I made up my mind to take it in, so I walked ail the way to this city; got here before the majority of the people were out of bed, and had a great time. I remember hearing Judge Withey deliver the the oration at the old Congregational church. I have been sort of a tran-scient character all my life. In 1880 I went to Rotterdam as representative of the United States under President Gar-field. Well, I took it up and found there was a matter of turce or four thousand dollars a year in it. Stayed there a little while and transferred over to Dundee, Scotland, with double the remimeration. Came back later to this country and made my nome at Ionia. Now I am away west on the Pacific slope, in the finest country in the world and most affutrious climate. I am engaged in the lumber business, and hope to be back to work inside of two weeks.

John R. Wood of Wood's Official Railway Guide, Detroit, arrived in town today and is stopping at the Livingston. He is in the city on business connected with his publication. Mr. Wood has lately increased the size of his Railroad Guide, embracing the state of Wisconsin. "This feature alone," he said, "will increase my circulation to a hundred thousand the coming year."

Among the notables stopping at the Eagle hotel attending the prohibition convention held in the city are Mrs. Mary Lathrop, Jackson; Mrs. Marion B. Bazter, Charlotte; Miss Rena Michaels, Albion; Samuel Dickie, Albion: Charles P. Russell, Detroit: John Russell, New Haven; A. S. Partridge, Flushing; A. B. Cheney and wife,

Michigan men at Sweet's hotel: William Lapham, Lapeer; George Monros, Owosso; M. H. Douglas, Hartforu; William Lacy, Battle Creek; J. P. Calahan, Osego; Miss Ida L. Johnson, Muskegon; A. W. Cluff, Detroit; Harry Dean, Detroit, Mrs. L. Baker, Muskegon; 1. H. Groze, Detroit; S. A. Mills, Cold-

Michigan men at the Morton house; H. L. Broadbridge, Detroit; M. M. Ewing, Albion; M. M. Mather, Howard City; F. G. Row, Lansing; E. D. Besley, Waukegan: G. H. Anthony, Detroit; Daniel Striker, Hastings; F. E. Pilcher, Detroit; A. C. Winds, Jackson; J. G. Jeukins, Detroit.

Ex-Senators J. W. Moon from Muskegon is at the Morton today. He is in town on purely personal business. "I like Grand Rapids," said Mr. Moon, "but we think Muskegon is the city, and we are not all doubting but what it is destined to be the third town in the state.

Ex-Governor Cyrus G. Luce passed through the city again today and took dinner at the Morton. He is on his way to Kalamazoo, where he will address a banquet given by the Sons of Ireland.

THE NEGRO'S HUMOR. He Is Often Fanny Without Intending to

Among the old-time negroes in the region was much of a humor very interesting. Their speech, says Col. Richard M.Johnston in the Century, by constant contact with the white man's, which it sought to imitate, had a curtness and vivacity never heard on large scaboard and river plantations. In the lightness of the negro's heart, with an imprination that never sought to be curbed, his words and his deportment often had a fun as racy as any lover of that article reasonably could wish to see. Evon his complainings, oftener than otherwise, were put forth with a resentment so poculiar as to provoke as well laughter as a mpathy. the following anecdote of the return to his old master, not very long ago, of one of his former sigves after having served anosher person for a year:
"Why, Jim, how happens it that y
quit Perkins?" asked the gentleman.

Well, now. Marse Jack, I gwine up en tell you jes how 't is. I wuck for dah man all lee' year, and I wuck hard. en I make him a good crop. Well, new, de troof is, I did git fom him a few. but min' you, jes only a few, merlasses en tobarker, su one hat, en a pa'r o' shoes, en one little thing en 'nother. Well, den, Chris'mus come, en he say: 'Jim, I gwine make out our 'count.' En den he tuck he piece o' paper, en he pen, and he ink-vinl, en he 'gin a-settin' down, en when he thee wid dat job, he gin a- addin' up, on a-put'n' down, en a-kyar'n'; en he kyar'd, en he kep' on a kyar'n', ontwel, bless your soul on body! Marse Jacky, when he got thoo, he done kyar's off all what was a comin' to me! En so I makes up my min', I does, to left dar. en pewouse reyself back to you, what I knews day not gwine be no sich kyar'n' as dem." Then he joined heartily in the laugh ruised by what had just oc-curred to him as being a good practical

AN IMPORTED WIFE.

A Colonial Preachana Has a Holpmate Shipped to Elim Per Order. Having made his fortune in the pre-

marry, and do not find a suitable match

out here, do not fail to send by the next able house hither a rease jade of the

inces, a wealthy Prenchman wrote to his business correspondent in Paris in the fellowing terms:

subjoined qualifications. Let her be of an hencet family, between twenty and twenty-five years of age, of a middle stature and well proportioned; her face agreeable, her character blameless and her constitution strong enough to bear the change of chimate, that there may be no occasion to look for a se wife because of the death of the urst, soon after she came to hand, which must be provided against as much as possible. Considering the great distance and the dangers of the sea, I demand no portion. If she arrives here on the conditions stipulated, with the present letter indorsed by you, I hereby engage to marry the bearer at afteen

This is a sensible letter, very different from ordinary billet-doux, and it was replied to with punctuality and in the same terms, says the Irish Times.

Among goods sent by his correspond-ent was the following item: "A young gentlewoman, twenty-five years of age, of the quality and shape as conditioned per order, as appears by the affidavits and certificates also has to produce."

A few days, we are told, were de-voted to contiship, when the nuptial ceremony took place with great magnifi-cance; "nor did Martinique boast a hap-pier couple than the one thus singular-ly united."

SOME SPEED MAKERS.

Among Various Klads of Locomotion the

Some curious facts are brought into prominence by a correspondent of Cycling, who has been at the pains to draw up a comparative table of the rates of speed in different modes of locomotion. The express train, of course, stands preeminent. Man has as yet discovered no way of getting about faster on the earth's surface. It will be a surprise, however, to many to learn that the safety bicycle, of which so much is heard nowadays, only occupies in this list the seventh place.

The fastest time in which a train has been known to travel a mile was 40 seconds and a fraction; to accomplish the same distance the fastest bleyelist who has hitherto ridden took 2% minutes, or just about three times as long. An ice yacht has traveled a mile in 1 minute ten seconds, a running horse in 1 minute 2514 seconds, a torpedo boat in I minute 50 seconds, a steam yacht in \$ minutes 12 seconds and a fraction, and a skater on jee, with a favorable wind behind him, in 2 minutes and 19 seconds and rather a large fraction. A little way after the safety bicycle comes the ocean liner; the onraman is much slower, taking 5 minutes 40 seconds to travel a mile, and the slowest of all is the swimmer, who requires very little short of an hour to perform the same

ABOUT TEA AND COFFEE.

A Wholesale Gracer Tells How the American Public Is Duped. Do you like a cup of good coffee? And again, how often do you get one? The most frequently called for brand of coffee at the grocer's is Java, but a good second place is held by Mecha. A wholesale grocer, in conversation with a New York Mail and Express man the other day, spoke of this demand and disclosed a few facts which are not generally known by the coffee-drinking public.

'Toople are continually calling at the "and many will take no other. As a matter of fact there are probably not five hundred people in the United States who have ever tested real Mocha, and I do not believe that there is a single pound of it to be found between the Atlantic and the Pacific. The Arabs, of Arabia, not those of Africa, are the most fastidious coffee-drinkers in the world, and the crop of Mocha is not The governors and shiels get the pick, the fluest and plampest berries being chosen for them. The rich Arabs get the second choice. The rest is sold throughout the country, and a very little, consisting of the shriveled and broken berries, finds its way to Constantinople. Not a hundred weight a year gets west of that city."

What is called Mocha consists of inferior Arabian growths, at least, a little of it does. Americans never see the best tea. None of the finest growth ever leaves China, and the best of the export goes overland to Russia, being known as "caravan tea." Some of this retails ne high as fifty dollars a pound. True caravan tea is never brought to this country, as it is believed that a sen voyage affects its flavor. Some of the Ceylon tea ranks as high as the best Chinese growth. A pound of what is known as golden tip," grown on a famous estate in Ceylon, was recently sold in London for one hundred and thirty-five dollars.

GHASTLY STORY OF A NECKLACE The Grave of a Pergyida Princess Despeiled by American Officers.

The wife of a well-known naval officer, whose home is in Washington, wears about her throat a very beautiful gold necklace, the odd pattern of which has attracted much attention and excited much comment. A great many of her timid friends would be herrified. doubtless, if they knew that for perhaps a century that necklace had adorned the mummy of a Peruvian princess.

Some years ago, says the Philadelphia Press, while a vessel belonging to the United States navy was cruising off the coast of Peru, her officers organized an expedition to dig for mummies. "Inca hunting" has been for many years a favorite pastime in the American nevy. Hardly a vessel has gone to the South Atlantic station whose officers have not organized a similar expedition, and many of the graves of the dead rulers of Peru have been opened and despoiled. The expedition which resulted in the discovery of the neckince was most fruitful. Not one, but a dozen graves were found.

In the center was the grave of one who had evidently been a princess, and buried about her in a circle were the remains of those who had been her attendants. The mummy of the princess was in a sitting posture. All of the others were doubled up in the same way, but, while the attitude of the central figure were the calm aspect of death, the others expressed the most peless despair. They had evidently been buried alive and some were in the attitude of tearing their hair or rending their garments. Only the central figure was adorned with ornaments, and shief among these was a nackince of gold bends. One of the officers in the party coveted the necklace, and under an arrangement with the other mem-bers of the expedition he became proprictor of it and brought it home to his wife. Another efforr brought home a mummied arm, and there are many

other chastly remes or man voyage new decorating the walls of smo and libraries in Washington

DEPRAVITY OF THE SPARROW.

Henceforth let no one apologize for the English sparrow, says the New York Advertiser. He is as black as he be has been painted, and considerably

The news from North Plain, Cor. virtually strips him of every feather of respectability and leaves him naked to scorn of the world. The Ba church at North Plain has been robbed at various times of sums aggregating fifty-two dollars, and after three years of bickering, charges and counter-charges, the stolen money has been traced to a couple of English sparrows that had a neet in a vine near the church. The evidence against the spar-rows is indisputable, as the missing money, in bills ranging from one dollar to five dollars, has been found woren into their nest.

With the discovery of this money peace is restored in a church which has been rent and torn since the thefts were first discovered. The money was always missed cut of the sums turned in by the deacons who took up the collections, circumstances sometimes pointing to one deacon as the thiof and sometimes to another. At one time the minister was believed to have been cought 'dead to rights," and when a dead flatly charged him with being "a sneak-thief," he left the church and did not

enter it synin. Two deacons came to blows over these mysterious disappearances, and during these three long and terrible years suspicion was continually poisoning each brother's cup-and all because of a thievish propensity of an English sparrow which took advantage of an open window to fly into the church and

nip an occasional bank note. Therefore, on top of his other meannesses, it is here boldly charged that the English sparrow is a thief o besitute to rob a Connecticut church.

Crime in London.

All the criminal returns published of late have happily tended to show that crime is decreasing, says the London Telegraph. The judicial statistics for the past year bear the same testimony. Whether under the head of "criminal closees at large" or "in local and convict prisons and reformatories,' the figures show a steady decline. The same is true of the houses of bad character, by which is meant such as are the resort of thieres, depredators and suspeoted persons. In England and Wales there are 2,685 houses of this description. It seems rather odd to be told that of these 345 are public houses and 265 beer shops, because if they are known resorts of such characters why are their licenses not withdrawn? Is it it for the reason once given by a French administrator that they serve the ends of the law by providing places where those who are wanted by the police can easily be found? The known houses of receivers of stolen goods had declined from 778 two years ago to 794 last year.

Bad for the Papers.

One of the disadvantages of dating : publication in advance of the time of issuing it has been brot in England. A weekly illustrated newspaper, in an article on Cardinal Manning, commended to his notice a philanthropic object which he might help, though on the date which the paper bore the cardinal's body was lying in state at his bome, where he had died two days before. Another paper dates two days after the death of the duke o Clarence made so mention of his death, but devoted several articles to the subject of his expected marriage. Penck on one occasion made a flippant allusion to an eminent statesman who figure in its pages often, and who had died three days previous to the date borne by the paper. Whatever advantage there may be in this practice, it would seem that the results in the above instances were rather stupid.

Engineers of railroad trains in Texas and most of the fur western states carry revolvers, and often rifice, in the cal for various contingencies that might arise. They amuse themselves by shooting at the telegraph poles or any other mark while running at full speed and attain a wonderful skill in marks manship. A few days ago an engineer on the Denver & Rio Grande railway shot and killed a wildest near Newcas tle from the cab of his locemotive

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